

SPARKS FROM THE ANVIL.

Hangers-on are not respected by real workers.

Possession of the soil and the intelligent cultivation thereof are the first steps toward independence.

If the Republican National Committee names Chicago as next year's convention city, why Chicago's our choice.

It is generally agreed that the Boston Guardian owes the race at large an apology, also.

The Washington Record might achieve greater success as a maker of Bishops, if it would try a little better grade of material.

Politicians out of a job should not overlook the vast opportunity for work that the Panama canal will afford.

Mr. Hanna is suffering from a case of ingrowing fool friends—that is, as far as he will suffer them to make him suffer.

Demands, unbacked by tangible power, in the form of money, land, education or weapons of warfare, are not likely to be impressive.

Only those who lend material and in creating them can justly prate of "our" church, "our" school, "our" bank, "our" house or "our" country.

The peace-loving diplomats who have been anxious to serve their country as Minister to Haiti are curbing their foaming ambitions until things get settled a bit in and about San Domingo.

The Boston Colored Citizen is a lusty youngster. It shows ample signs of longevity and undisputed influence, for which the good people of the Hub should return thanks. Keep it up. Brothers Smith, Hamlin and Campbell!

That Springfield, Illinois, convention did not denounce Booker Washington, is it was first reported, through the misrepresentations of a certain Chicago citizen and a pseudo-secret order potentate.

They say John Temple Graves refuses to use paper money because it bears the signature of a Negro. Perhaps he will pay his bills in notes to hand when he finds out that Negroes are also handling large amounts of gold and silver.

The National Suffrage Association is an anti-office holders' organization. President Roosevelt could break it up by placing every mother's son of them on the government's pay-roll, but we will wager a V against a Chinese copper cent that he won't do it.

The Republican majority in the Senate will not decline to confirm Dr. Crum merely to gratify Senator Tillman's unholy prejudice against a race of patriots and home-makers. The colored people everywhere should personally interest themselves to see that

their Senator votes with Roosevelt on the open door to citizens, regardless of color.

The death of Mr. William Henry Smith removes from earth's activities one of the race's most interesting and useful characters. He lived long, served most capably in many stations, and has reared a family of sons and daughters who well maintain the lofty standard of living set by their revered father. We shall miss William Henry Smith's sturdy personality and result-making labors.

If white teachers fail to "cuss the nigger" at every opportunity his usefulness in the South is at an end, if the experience of Prof. John S. Bassett, of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., is a fair sample of prevalent opinion on that score. Prof. Bassett declared in a recent article in the South Atlantic Quarterly that Booker T. Washington was the greatest man, excepting Robert E. Lee, born in the South in one hundred years. For giving utterance to this palpable truth, Prof. Bassett is being chastised hip and thigh by the Bourbons from the Potomac to the Rio Grande.

PRINCESS ANNE ACADEMY.

PRINCESS ANNE, MD., Special.—The Eliza Smith Lyceum, of this School, held its monthly joint lyceum, Saturday, November 21, 1903. A very pleasing and instructive program was rendered.

Thanksgiving Day was appropriately observed. The school went to Metropolitan M. E. Church, to attend the regular Thanksgiving services.

A foot ball game was played Thanksgiving afternoon, between the two teams of the Academy. The teams were captained by Mr. L. S. Moore and Mr. F. M. Cottman. The game was won by Mr. Cottman's team, score 21 to 0. The features of the game were the kicking of H. L. Briggs, the end running of M. J. Hall, W. J. Helm and the line bucking of F. G. Potts.

The Domestic Science Department is flourishing. A large range with hot-water attachments, a fine set of dishes, with chiffonier and several new sewing machines have been purchased for this Department.

The classes are now learning the rudiments of sewing.

The students were given their annual Thanksgiving dinner at 3.30, which was pleasing to all.

A very pleasant time was spent by the students at the social in the evening. Much credit is due Mr. Stanford for the fairness with which he umpired the foot ball game.

COLORED LABORERS WON'T DO.

Between and three hundred Italians and Scandinavians are employed in the rebuilding of the new Long Bridge. When the management was asked why he did not employ colored laborers, he replied that of late colored laborers were unreliable and that he could not count upon them. And yet there are five thousand idle, able-bodied colored men in the District, who are being supported by their wives, mothers and sisters or by charity. Shame!

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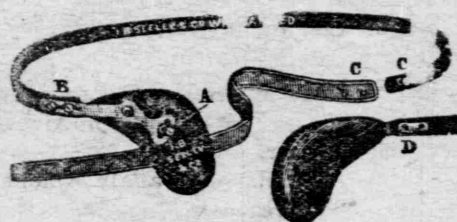
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